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Council To Seek Segregation Of Oriental Homes

(From The Province)

VANCOUVER. — Vancouver Orientals will be barred from better residential districts and forced to live in areas defined for their use if the City Council is successful in a program on which it embarked on Monday at the instigation of Ald. H. D. Wilson.

Warned that Japanese and Chinese are filtering into the city's newest and best sections, aldermen appointed a special committee to report on the situation and draft a by-law which would prevent Orientals from being either owners or tenants in other than "their own recognized localities."

While doubt is expressed regarding the city's legal authority, a report from Ald. Wilson that a similar statute has been adopted in Toronto prompted Corporation Counsel D. E. McTaggart to assert that if such is the case the same procedure can be followed here.

Ald. Wilson said later that the information had been supplied him by well-informed real estate men. He is sure such restrictions are in effect in Seattle.

Action was taken following a protest from residents against "intrusion of the Oriental into desirable residential districts," who asked lower tax assessments in the Highbury area because of the occupancy of the Chinese, and appealed for restrictions to prevent repetition of the occurrence.

Wilson Again

"This is only an indication of what will face the city in years to come," declared Ald. Wilson.

"Orientals have purchased property in Little Mountain subdivision and a number are going into the new residential districts where their presence has the immediate effect of reducing values.

"They just won't comply with our standards. Real estate values are falling. Where one Oriental buys property another follows."

Admits Discrimination

Discounting previous rulings from the city's legal department that the city has no power to discriminate regarding races, Ald. Wilson argued that Orientals are already discriminated against in Vancouver insofar as they have no civic vote, are barred from the legal profession and their numbers restricted in the fishing industry.

The time has come to do

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On The Newsfront

Junior Trade Board to Hear Nisei Speaker

VANCOUVER — British Columbia's Japanese question will be the subject of an after-dinner speech to be given by Thomas Shoyama, New Canadian editor, to the Government Affairs Committee of the Junior Board of Trade. The dinner will take place Thursday evening, February 13.

Japan to Draft Students For Labour Service

TOKYO. — Rapidly gaining impetus here is a plan of the Ministry of Education to draft ten million students for labor service, chiefly in an attempt to increase production of foodstuffs.

Under the scheme, boys and girls above eleven years old, school to university students, will be required to devote 50 days out of their annual 150 holidays to labor service.

Takashi Komiyama Speaks On Kagawa to Knox Y. P.

VANCOUVER — Mr. Takashi Komiyama will speak to the Knox United Young People's Society (39th and Balaclava) on Sunday evening, February 9, at 8:30 p.m. The life of the great Christian evangelist and social worker, Toyohiko Kagawa, will be the subject matter of his address.

Text Book Committee To Meet Friday

VANCOUVER.—First meeting of the newly-formed committee undertaking revision of language school text books will be held at the Alexander School this Friday. Bunji Hisaoka has been chosen as treasurer.

Acting on the Editorial Board are T. Sato, S. Aoki, F. Kajiro, K. Miyazaki, K. Tasaka and Yoshimitsu Higashi of The New Canadian, Nisei representative.

Vancouver Nisei to Hear Rev. Morikawa

Vancouver Nisei will have the opportunity of hearing the Rev. Jitsuo Morikawa at the meeting of the Nisei Christian Fellowship, Feb. 8 at 8 p.m. in the Celtic Cannery School, at the foot of Blenheim. A native of Haney, and at present holding a pastorate near Los Angeles, Rev. Morikawa returns shortly to the U.S.

Those desiring transportation may phone BA 2063-L or FA 0990-M.

Mission JCCL Chapter Donates to Red Cross

MISSION, Feb. 5.—The Mission Chapter of the Japanese Canadian Citizens League has donated the sum of $10 to the local Red Cross.

WAR SAVINGS CERTIFICATES

Ocean Falls Japanese Subscribe

OCEAN FALLS. — This community is now campaigning for $50,000 worth of War Savings Certificates in the form of signed authorizations, authorizing the company to deduct fixed amounts each month from the pay cheque of an employee, this amount going toward the purchase of a certificate in his name.

Japanese Canadian citizens up to 212 in number have already signed for an amount equivalent to over $10,000 for the year.

The drive is being sponsored by the War Savings Committee of Ocean Falls, and is being carried out by Local 312 of the International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers.

Union Executives of the Japanese section will handle the distributoin of the certificates upon their arrival.

Seek Pool For Donations To National War Effort

Shimizu Appointed New General Secretary

VANCOUVER.—It was indicated here this week following a meeting of the National Executive of the Japanese Canadian Citizens League that the co-operation and support of all Japanese Canadian citizens, organizations and communities would be sought in an effort to co-ordinate donations to the Department of National Defence, through setting up a central pool which would be used to purchase some type of necessary army equipment.

First step in the movement will be to inquire from the Federal Government the cost of such equipment, and to decide upon the most suitable practical of achievement. A sub-committee will request this information from Ottawa.

At the same time the Executive decided to make available a pamphlet indicating steps necessary for the Nisei to eliminate dual citizenship. These pamphlets will be distributed among chapters for the benefit of members and the public.

Shimizu General Secretary

Meeting Sunday, the central body effected a reduction in its budget by reducing the salary of the general secretary; and appointed Kunio Shimizu to that post. Assessment fees upon various chapters, however, will remain the same for another year, to try to build up the national treasury.

Labour Day week-end, or Thanksgiving Day week-end were made tentative dates for the National Convention, to be held this year in Victoria.

New appointments to the executive to fill offices left vacant by resignations included the appointment of Miss Hide Hyodo as recording secretary and Tom Shoyama, executive secretary.

Strathcona Re-Union, JCCL Meet Delayed

VANCOUVER. — Owing to the inability to secure expected speakers, two public functions have been postponed to a later date in the month.

The Strathcona reunion has been set for February 20, when Mr. MacCorkindale, superintendent of Vancouver Schools, will be the guest speaker.

The general election meeting of the Vancouver Chapter of the JCCL has also been postponed until February 27, owing to the fact that Mayor J. W. Cornett could spare only five minutes to address the meeting, prior to his trip to the Conference of Mayors in St. Louis.

U.B.C. Accepts Loan Fund From Principal T. Sato

VANCOUVER.—A loan fund of $300 for needy students at the University of British Columbia was accepted last week by the University Senate from Tsutae Sato, well-known principal of the Alexander Japanese Language School.

This gift, which was made available to the University by Mr. Sato early last December, was formally accepted by the Senate and endorsed by the Board of Governors, according to a statement from Stanley W. Mathews, secretary to the Senate.

The loan fund, to be known as the "T. Sato Loan Funds," goes into effect for the 1941-42 session. It makes available a sum of $60 annually to students of second class standing or better in the third or fourth year of Art and Science, in the 4th or 5th years of the Applied Science Faculty, or the final year of a Double Course.

In offering the fund last December, Mr. Sato wrote that it was his wish to assist needy students in view of his long years of experience as an educationalist, and as an expression of gratitude for the privileges of enjoying the benefits of Canadian democratic institutions during his lifetime of teaching in the Japanese Language School.

Keen Rivalry Seen In Annual JSC High School Oratory

VANCOUVER — A keen note of inter-high rivalry will feature the annual school oratorical contest sponsored by the University Japanese Students' Club, as nine Nisei students will take to the platform of the Japanese Hall this Saturday evening to uphold the oratorical honours of eight different schools, three of them in rural centres.

Ladner High, Mission High and Richmond High will present their best Nisei talent against speakers from five different city institutions.

While seven of the students competing for the magnificent Nemichi Trophy are entirely new to the contest, two of them, Keiko Inouye of Mission and Mary Inouye of John Oliver will be remembered from previous contests.

Chairman for the evening will be Hajime Kagetsu, fourth-year engineering student at the University.

Contest Judges

Judges for the contest include A. E. Munro, Principal of Britannia High School and judge last year; Jerry Hundal, active youth worker, and Thomas Shoyama, New Canadian editor.

No admission fee will be charged, but a sivler collection will be taken at the door to assist in defraying expenses.

List of Contestants

The complete list of contestants in the order of their speaking is as follows:

1. Mitsuo Nakashiba, Gr. 12, Kitsilano, "One Nisei's Outlook."
2. Keiko Inouye, Gr. 12, Mission.
3. Hugo Yamamoto, Gr. 10, Britannia, "World War II and the Niseis."
4. Mary Inouye, Gr. 10, John Oliver, "Why We Study English."
5. Henry S. Tamaki, Gr. 11, Ladner, "The Nisei and the New Order."
6. Kathleen A. Kurita, Gr. 12, Grandview Commerce, "Adjusting Ourselves in the Business World."
7. Kinjiro Yamamura, Gr. 12, King Edward, "Democracy Today."
8. Amy Nakashima, Gr. 11, Richmond, "Personality."
9. Yoshiro Hagino, Gr. 12, Kitsilano, "Racial Intolerance."

Contestants are requested to be at the Japanese Hall before 7:30 p.m. and to occupy the front row of seats.

Femme-Fare

By Cinderella

REFLECTIONS

There Shall Be No Night . . .

Once in a long while one is privileged to witness something which is of the earth and yet is very close to the stars—of the earth because it deals with the grim realities of war, of the stars because it reveals hearts which refuse to bow before tyrannic force. Such a play is "There Shall Be No Night" by Robert E. Sherwood, starring Lynn Fontanne and Alfred Lunt.

The theme—the effect of war waged by power-crazed dictators upon members of a peace-loving family of a famed Finnish neurologist and Nobel Prize winner, and how each reacts in the face of this grim reality—is a vivid and telling revelation of the unconquerable spirit of little peoples who go down fighting gallantly with nothing but their faith to strengthen them.

When invasion comes upon Finland, Kaarl Valkonen sees his only son, Eric, caught in the maelstrom of fighting men. He sees his daughter to be ready to destroy her unborn child rather than bring it into a world fraught with an atmosphere of fear and hate and suffering. And he comes to realize that working within the walls of his laboratory, he has been refusing to face actualities, and against his own beliefs on war, he goes gallantly to his death that unborn children shall be born into a world where there shall be no more night.

It is a propagandist play, but the quiet restraint of the acting, the slow but inevitable march of events to their climax, lifts the propagandist element into the realm of pure drama.

Throughout the three-hour play are memorable scenes such as the tender, yet pathetically gay parting between mother and son; the heart-break of a father, unspoken but felt; the outburst of Kaarli, symbol of all girlhood raised in a world of fear and bloodshed; the almost patriotic fervor of Eric as he denounces the very foundations of civilization; and the dramatic and effective close, with Miranda and Waldemar, one husbandless and sonless, the other still burning with a patriotism for a country that is no more—waiting for the inevitable, refusing to leave even in the face of death.

And somehow, coming away from the play, one could not but feel that democracy—that fire of freedom—although it may become dimmed and obscured at intervals, will never be quite put out. Surely, with people like the idealistic Valkonen, the stoic Miranda, the passionate Waldemar, the zealous Eric, in the world, there will come a time when "There Shall Be No Night."

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Will You Be My Valentine?

To these I sent a Valentine:

. . . . the prettiest girl in the class because she is so popular, because she is beautiful, because she is as unattainable as the Evening Star.

. . . . the homeliest girl in the neighborhood, because she can "take it," because she is the butt of everybody's jokes.

. . . . the richest girl in town because she is generous to those who shower her with favors.

But to these I forgot to send a Valentine:

. . . . a certain "girl" whose love is as constant as the Northern Star itself, whose hands are red with dish-washing, whose hair is streaked with gray.

. . . . the girl next door, who always listens to my dreams, who helps me with my work, who forgives what others would not because she knows me for what I am.

. . . . the girl who lies on a bed of pain, the world of sunshine and blue sky shut out by four white walls.

. . . . the lonely girl in our midst, a little shy, a little lost, a little bewildered.

Perhaps this is why Valentine's Day does not mean so much to me.

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Just Reminiscing . . .

By MISCELLANI

—I recall that time in the past when . . .

Softly, the cool summer breeze brushed our hot faces . . . soothing breeze from the flowing stream of Nagaragawa . . . that romantic spot from whence came wondrous tales of cormorant fishing.

In the flat-bottomed, roofed boat, the "sendo-san" (boat-man), with his long stick, pushed and pushed while we, ordinary, travel-worn Niseis, languidly waving gaily-coloured fans, succumbed to the beauty and charm of our neighbours, the geishas . . . beautiful geishas in a boat twice as large and twice as beautiful.

Geishas . . .
Perched, doll-like, sweet, demure,
Forever the plaything, the toy of
man,
Dressed in gorgeous silk brocade,
Hair pompadoured, in ivory hands
a fan;
Smiling—a surface smile,
Forever alert, to charm and beguile,
But underneath,
Where only God could see,
A heart—a turbulent wheel of
suffering, suffocating fire,
A soul not free.

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Then—

Ah . . . Little Geisha . . .
The Cathedral bells are calling.
The choir,
In flowing gowns of black and
white
Are assembling,
Young faces, eager faces
Gather around
As slowly, the saintly priest
proceeds.
A hush . . .
The congregation's shuffling noise
is stopping,
A hymn . . .
The Sacred Hour of Prayer is
just beginning.

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And now—the past—slowly fades,
for
Spring is Calling!
To think,
'Twas just last October,
When red leaves were falling,
Time, so swift,
And earth has not forgot.
For now,
Green buds,
Give signs that spring is calling!

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Fairview Service

The regular service for Young People will be held this coming Sunday, February 9, at 11:00 a.m. in the Fairview United Church.

Mr. Takashi Komiyama will give a message which will be helpful to all young people who are finding that life is hard and seemingly cruel, who are full of despair and a sense of defeat. The sermon topic will be "Light and Darkness."

All young people are cordially invited to make Fairview United Mission their place of worship.

TO WHICH STILL I LISTEN?

From within, the voice of a reader
Breaks the silence, bringing lines
From poets, thinkers, translators
Of nature into song. And from
without,
A summer rain is reading poetry
From the skies, dripping rhythmically
On the leaves of the maples.
Two poets vie for honors here:
The one, a man; the other, rain.

—L. C.

I Remember Saint Valentine

By Staff Writer

Yes, I've sent out a lot of Valentines in my day. I must have given the Patron Saint of Lovers, asleep in his crypt in far-off Rome, more than his share of insomnia whenever I took it upon myself to become his emissary.

I had a special list, a kind of "black list" of mugs which I sent to with all the faithfulness of a child always falling into scrapes and not particularly bright in book learning. Year in and year out, except for a few slight changes, the list remained intact.

There was my school teacher. And what boy ever forgot to send her a Valentine! I had a swell one for two years—the others only had her for one year. She was too pretty for a school teacher, with golden brown hair and merry blue eyes. She could make a feller feel uncomfortable when caught chewing gum or wax. She'd just sort of look at you, and say, "Toshio, little gentlemen don't chew gum." I never particularly wanted to be a gentleman, but whenever she called me, I used to swallow kind o' quick so I could say, "Yes, Miss Brown. No, Miss Brown, I'm not chewing gum!"

I used to send her those lacy valentines with fat cupid with almost nothing on, shooting silver arrows through great big red hearts, or the ones with a bunch of bluebirds carrying mushy love-letters.

And you needn't think that I particularly enjoyed sending them. But a feller has to look out for himself, especially when one hates history and arithmetic. I always signed my card "From Guess Who," making sure to leave a blot 'cause Miss Brown used to say I was the only one who splattered notebooks with untidy ink-blots. The ink blot was a strategic move—just in case I got "D" in arithmetic or "zero" in history. A feller's a fool not to look out for the future, as my father says.

And I had a sure-fire recipe for the unattractive, cranky teachers—the skinny, long-faced, beak-nosed, hawk-eyed variety who insist on calling Ted "Theodore" and Spike "Carleton." The uglier the teacher, the more elaborate the card. That was my motto. That's why I think I never quite got "D" in conduct, although I never got anything higher than "C."

And my loves were endless. I was Casanova in knee-pants. In Grade 2, it was Yoshiko, whose father owned a candy store. In Grade 6, it was Misako because her mother was the worst gossip in our neighborhood, and she lived right next door. And in Grade 7, it was Akiko. She was beautiful, with black hair and big dark eyes, and wide pink hair-ribbon. She always remembered to say "no thank you" and "yes please," like girls should, I guess. All the fellers were "sweet" on her except me. She didn't like rough-necks, she said. I sent her a nice Valentine because everyone in my gang did, although they didn't say so in so many words. I can still remember the verse—I thought it very appropriate and original:

"Roses are red,
Violets are blue,
Sugar is sweet,
And so are you."

I signed it "From Guess Who," without the blot. It was too risky otherwise.

I know Akiko got my Valentine because she was holding it when she went up to Clarence and said, "Thank you, Clarence, for your beautiful Valentine!" And the big stiff said, "That was nothing." I never did like guys who wore horn-rimmed glasses and took music lessons anyway. After that, I only sent valentines to people who could give me something.

And I always sent a Valentine without fail to Mrs. Hitchins. It was a whopper, with a picture of a girl with a mouth like that of a rhinoceros. It had on it, "To Gossiping Gussie."

"You always know the latest dirt,
Eyes and ears forever alert,
Some of your dirt should be found
For your friends to pass around."

I didn't mind the fact that the card cost me a hard-earned dime. She was the one who "snitched" on me for pinching apples. The look on her face was worth the price of the Valentine.

Yes, Valentine Day was a necessary and a very real day in my youth. It was a day when I paid my debts or made strategic moves to safeguard my school-days from dire catastrophes or to encourage sweetness to come my way.

It was a grand day—Saint Valentine's!

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Powell Group Scores Comedy Triumph

VANCOUVER, —Hopes that the Powell Young People's Society Drama group would repeat their last year's triumph in the Greater Vancouver Young People's Union Drama Festival were conceded a good chance of fulfillment, following their presentation of the comedy, "Heaven on Earth," last Saturday night, the opening night of the Festival.

Aki Hyodo, present holder of the "Best Actress" trophy, again excelled in her role. "She was a good listener when others on the stage were speaking," said adjudicator J. K. Stanfield, "and she showed well-thought-out movements, good interpretation of speeches and was graceful at all times."

An effective contrast to the suave action of Miss Hyodo was her somewhat bewildered husband, played by Dan Washimoto, a gentleman of the old school, face to face with a new theory of freedom.

Koto Yatabe, as the impressionable young daughter, was well cast in a role that called for rapid and difficult emotional change.

The ardent lover, Henry Ide, found good use for his masculinity in the part of a freedom-loving naturalist, bent upon the overthrow of all convention and social restraint.

Margaret Hayashi, in the minor role of a maid, deserves congratulations in carrying on with the show despite a severe illness.

The sparkle and movement of the entire production bore witness to the excellence of Miss Rose Castellani's directing.

A new special grand challenge trophy was donated this year by Yamato Silks for presentation to the group which presents the play most worthy of presentation in the Festival.

Student Club Wins Official Approval

Japanese Students Club was reinstated as a campus organization Tuesday by the Literary and Scientific Executive of the Alma Mater Society, student governing body, following correspondence and conversations between L.S.E. President Bob Bonner and the club president, Kiyoaki Momose.

Suspension of the Club, along with three other clubs, was announced last week by Bonner. It was due, Momose said, to a misunderstanding of the Club executive of the policy of the L.S.E. in requiring reports of club activities.

An application for reinstatement was forwarded by the president to the L.S.E. immediately after the announcement of suspension.

Other clubs reinstated this week were the Letters Club and the Historical Society.

U.B.C. Students Put "Oriental On Trial"

"The Oriental on Trial," with Bob McMaster as prosecutor and Jerry Hundal as defense witness, and audience as jury, featured a joint meeting of the Cosmopolitan Club and Sociaal Problems Club of the University here Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Kagetsu.

In his cross-examination of the defense witness, McMaster, former student leader and now practising law in the city, touched upon highlights of criticism and accusations levelled against Orientals.

Loyalty, the fishing industry, economic competition, social problems, inter-marriage, the birth rate, and the franchise question were all discussed in relation to Chinese, Japanese and East Indian residents of the Province.

Jerry Hundal offered up an able defense, but the jury failed to arrive at a concrete decision.

Hajime Kagetsu, vice-president of the Cosmopolitan Club, was chairman.

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RED CROSS News Notes

Bringing the total number of groups up to six, a new group within the Japanese Canadian Red Cross Unit has been organized, it was announced this week by Mrs. E. Kitagawa, Unit Convenor.

The new group, to be known as the "Busy Bee," will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. Sasaki, 2565 Franklin, under the captaincy of Sumiko Sasaki. Its first meeting will be held February 29.

Red Cross Receives Many Letters of Thanks

The Canadian Red Cross Society continues to receive hundreds of letters of gratitude every week from victims of bomb raids in Great Britain. "I feel I must write you thanking you for the beautiful gift of one pair of blankets in these hard and terrible times," states one letter. "I can only say, 'God Bless You,' as I never before had to ask for charity."

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Members of the Naramata Red Cross branch collected 12 pounds of buttons for use on garments to be sent overseas for victims of bomb raids . . . Chilliwacak Branch reports that a total of 812 volunteer workers raised nearly $7000 for the Red Cross and made 32,350 articles of supplies . . . Burns Lake branch netted $52.25 on a pig donated by Mr. adn Mrs. Guy Smith of the Palling Unit, the pig to be delivered dressed on the hoof . . . Alberni Branch has raised more than $4,000 for the work since their organization in November, 1939.

Parent Social Planned

Koriyo Y.P. Donates To War Effort

VANCOUVER. — Nisei members of the Koriyo Young People's Society will contribute $25 to the Department of National Defence according to a decision of the annual meeting, held last Sunday evening at the New Pier Cafe.

The Club will also hold a round table discussion and joint social with members of the Hiroshima Kenjin-kai, the parent organization, it was announced by President-elect Kiyoshi Suga, following the first meeting of the new executive.

Also outlined as one of the club's functions will be an intra-club table tennis tournament for the club trophy. And a general office clean-up has been posted as a "must" on the club program.

The annual meeting Sunday opened with the observance of a minute's silence in honour of Canada's war dead.

Executive Members

Following an address by retiring president Doug Funamoto, Kiyomi Shimizu submitted secretary's and treasurer's report.

Supporting the president-elect, Kiyoshi Suga, the following members were chosen for the executive:

Kiyomi Shimizu, Nobuko Yamashita, secretaries; Fred Okimura, treasurer; Torao Kotani, Mitsuye Sasaki, recording secretaries; Doug Funamoto, Steve Tatemichi and Lily Shishido, auditors; Hideo Oshimo, Harumi Tsukamoto, sport convenors; "Rosie" Okuda, Emiko Murakami, oratorical convenors; Roy Kumano, Margaret Takahashi, social convenors; and Harry Kozuki, Tak Kumamoto, Kaz Suga, Masami Tsukamoto, Kay Kaminishi, Tomio Kimura, Sue Nobuoka, Shizue Ito, Fumiko Sato, Tomiko Yamashita, Mariko Uyenobu and Miori Miyake, councillors.

The annual meeting came to a close with a gay social.

Gakuyukai Choose Kaz Suga As New Prexy

Newly - elected executive members of the Gakuyukai, Alexander School graduate society, chose energetic Kaz Suga, baseball and basketball star, as their new leader to succeed Harry Kondo, president for the past six consecutive years who resigned upon re-election.

Complete list of officers in the organization which boasts a membership of over one thousand, follows:

Shige Okumura, vice-president; Pat Kawajiri and Don Sugiman, general secretaries; Kimi Hirota, treasurer; Yukiko Tsushima, recording secretary; Kiyoshi Suga, chairman; Roy Kumano and Hisako Tobo, auditors.

Executive officers: Fumiko Saito, Shigekazu Okuno, Rose Sato, Itsuko Igashira, Fumiye Sato, Hideyo Iguchi, and Harry Kondo.

Councillors: George Shishido, Mi Akiyama, Toshio Omoto, Kasey Oyama, Ken Hayashi, Mark Toyama, Shizue Ito, Lily Ide, Lily Fukumura, Teruko Suga, Hideo Oshino, Naotoshi Saito, Takeo Yamada, Luke Tanabe, Eichi Goto, George Sato, Terrie Sugiura, Shima Ozawa, Koichi Kaminishi, Rinzo Amemori, Shigeo Kawasaki, Kimi Saito, Miyo Hirota, Nobuko Okuma, Katsu Iguchi, Ritsuji Uyeno, Tomiko Yamashita, Masako Miyazaki, Akinori Horiuchi, Mikio Ochiai, Toshio Hashimoto, George Tsushima, Yuriko Nagata, Kaye Uda, Fumiya Okawa, Shigeo Tabata, Fumiko Kurita.

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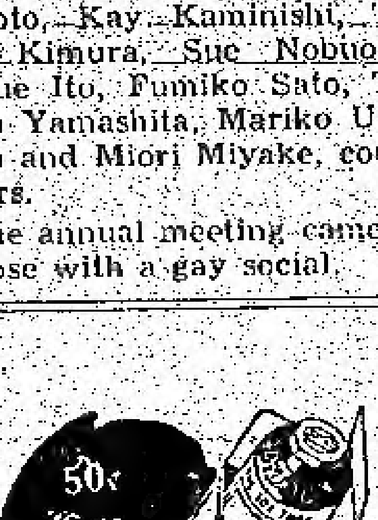

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Obvious Contradiction

THE action of the City zoning committee in seeking legal power which would permit the City to define areas in which Oriental citizens might or might not reside, stirs within us words of condemnation even stronger than those used by the Chinese consul. But we have sufficient faith in the Canadian sense of fairplay and in the inherent strength of the democratic principle, however grievously attacked it may be both at home and abroad, to believe that such a contemptible plan would never be permitted to come into effect in Vancouver.

Nevertheless, we believe it essential to ask of the delegation of citizens which appeared before the city fathers, and more particularly of the city fathers themselves who supported the idea of an Oriental Ghetto in Vancouver, this one question. What, if any, consistent policy do they urge upon Oriental Canadians, as a means of solving the Oriental problem.

Time and again we have been criticized because allegedly we are not fully Canadian. We are accused of clannishness, of a suspicious sticking togetherness. We are branded a menace to Canadian standards of living, because, it is said, we subsist at a lower level. We are a burden upon Occidental property owners, because we do not pay sufficient school taxes to cover the cost of education for our children. We still retain within our community the elements of Oriental religion, culture and language to make our loyalty doubtful. And time and again we have been urged to solve these questions, in order that we might become more Canadian, and acceptable as such to Canadian society.

Yet here we have a young Oriental couple striving to put that policy into complete effect. They are well educated; they have attained a Canadian standard of material well-being; they wish to leave the Oriental community to assimilate Canadian culture still further; and being fully qualified, they seek now to be recognized as a part of Canadian society.

Now our city fathers, and one in particular, suddenly repudiate everything they have said before concerning Canadianization and would do their best to turn this young couple, and all those who would come after them, back into the Oriental community—to keep them Oriental.

Their incomprehensible attitude in this particular case is but an indication of the root confusion in the minds of the large majority of Canadians towards the Oriental question—a confusion which the Vancouver Daily Province itself has recognized as the first thing that must be cleared away before any solution to the question can be found.

The obvious fact of the matter is simply that Oriental Canadians cannot be asked to adopt Canadian standards, if through a policy of social, economic and political repression, they are denied the only means by which they might attain to those standards.

High School Oratory

A glance at the list of topics chosen by student contestants in the annual high school oratorical contest sponsored by the University Students' Club will reveal the interest it should hold for all of us.

There is apparent, even from the mere titles, that note of youthful idealism and enthusiasm, which must be the very life and substance of the second generation struggle in Canada.

These young orators indicate the intelligent interest in the problems they must face as the "Nisei." And more important, they bring to these problems an attitude of optimistic determination to conquer every obstacle.

The reality of years should serve to broaden and develop that interest. It must not be allowed to warp and twist that attitude. Rather, like cold water upon heated steel, it must temper and harden that determination to go on fighting, even though it may seem but for the very sake of the struggle alone.

The boys and girls who are to speak this Saturday deserve your attention; and if you will listen to them, as they should be listened to, you will go away refreshed and uplifted by their quality of idealism.

Down Steveston Way

DOWN Steveston way last week there was a wedding.

Not that weddings are uncommon in Steveston, but this was a singular wedding.

The bride came down the aisle, smartly and casually attired in a trimly-fitting navy-blue tailored suit, with touches of white at the throat, and carrying a bouquet of pink and white carnations.

And there at the altar stood the groom, quite at ease—a courageous groom he was, standing up for the right of man long ago sacrificed up to the great god, Convention. He wore a black, semi-drape, worsted business suit, with peak lapels. A soft-collared shirt, white in colour, and a blue striped tie completed an ensemble acceptable in the very best circles.

But what do you think! We couldn't find a trace of ivory satin princess lines calla lilies softly glowing ivory velvet swept back train turquoise blue foaming frothing tulle delicate tracery blossoms orange silver slippers orchids . . . nor a single male, strangling beneath a rigid, starched collar, mounted atop an armour-plated shirt front, or dragging behind him limply-hanging tails, the obsequious symbol of vapid genteelness.

For Steveston's "Economy Wedding Plan" has been translated into reality, and in every young man's heart breathes there a new hope. The marriage committee is prepared to budget your wedding down to every last cent of a sane, sensible ceremony, and to jew down as far as humanly possible the "yuinoh" that your prospective father-in-law is likely to ask.

Last week these young people made up their minds that clothes on one's back are preferable to glad rags in moth balls. They figured that a little rigging in the way of furniture for their matrimonial craft would help them through stormy seas. And they felt that no matter how appetizing to other people might be all the dream-provoking wedding cake and dainties, or the sulphurous, unpredictable "o-sake," still three squares a day would go a long way toward making their marriage more of a success.

Every struggling young Nisei boy-friend and girl-friend owes a debt of gratitude to these courageous young people of Steveston, and the penurious bachelorhood of The New Canadian is the first to bow in admiration.

Voice Of The Nisei

Adolescent Nisei

Editor, The New Canadian:

FOR the overwhelming majority of Niseis, graduating from High School means the end of their formal education. If this were all it implied it would not make much difference, but the truth is that it also means in many cases the termination of their intimate Occidental contacts. It may not be their fault that many Niseis believe this to be inevitable, but something must be done — and before graduation. This suggests an examination of the psychology of adolescence.

ADOLESCENT PREJUDICE

The average adolescent shows strong racial prejudice; young people are notoriously intolerant and the one place where this characteristic shows most clearly is in the relationship of races. Antagonism is not merely the reflection of parental opinion. During childhood, children of all races play and work together in the schools with little if any prejudice. But the real basis of the marked antagonism in adolescents is the profound dislike for anyone who is different from the average of the local social group. This desired uniformity prevents the social absorption of minor races into adolescent society.

Realization of prejudice against themselves usually means a severe blow to the Nisei sense of security and the consequent increase in the emotional attachment to other Niseis. The average adolescent is super-sensitive and the Nisei is no exception. To make up for social losses, the Nisei tends to draw within himself, and putting his mind in high, races along in his academic work. Racial antagonism then begins to manifest itself in the early years of adolescence and results in a complete cleavage between the races in social activities, except those over which the schools have control. As a result the members of the different races will withdraw completely from each other and become utter strangers. But the sad part is that the Nisei need not fall into this state if he learns the social ways of other adolescents (such as dancing) and becomes one with them in spirit.

KNOWLEDGE AND TOLERANCE

Results of an investigation in the U.S. in this connection are revealing. Two types of tests were used: one measured the information of Occidental students about Orientals; while the other measured the attitude towards the Oriental. The correlation between the scores on information test and attitude test varied .65 to .85. Those who knew most about Oriental life and customs had the least prejudice; those with the most complete prejudice knew practically nothing. Over 300 of the students tested stated that they had one or more fairly close Oriental friends. These students averaged 9 points higher on the information tests and 11 points higher on attitude test. Again suggesting that knowledge and tolerance go hand in hand.

The conclusions from the above are fairly clear. Adolescents easily become intolerant of those unlike themselves. This attitude at once terminates any intimate relationship with other groups and this leads to ignorance. As a result there is a permanent prejudice against, in this case, the Nisei. Now each group withdraws to itself and only the unusual ever succeeds in maintaining relationships (social) with the other group. If racial prejudice formed in adolescence were not permanent it would not be serious. There the schools are the institutions most likely to break down unjustified antagonism, especially through their extra curricular activities.

"Modesty is a virtue, but bashfulness is a vice."

—E Pluribus Unum
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THE CHARMER

You are the only one
to see his eyes
his lips brush past her ear
his arms hold close her youth
while the music swells and fades
far away
as they dance.

A tender smile
is nestling
in the corner of her mouth,
curving it with rapture;
enchantment
for her dreams.

Ah, poor young maiden,
lost in dreaming,
did not mark the look I saw
of restless anguish
in his eyes.

He stands alone
against the dusk
of winter's early twilight,
silent,
mourning:
Love is dead!

DANA.

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The painter caught the lake of radiant hue
that lit the west;
his canvas glowed with gold subdued oils
sun and shadow on rich red soils.

O world! I deal in words
poor skipping things;
you want a sunset on a canvas caught
I only hold the ashes of the thought.

—*Asagao.*

How To Keep Young

(A STORY FOR THE ISSEI)

An elderly man once asked the great artist Takeuchi Seiho, for a few strokes of his brush to celebrate his silver wedding. The painter, willingly acquiescing, wished to know what subject would please him best, the while murmuring to himself, "I can't paint silver." "Certainly not," said the man, "but, what do you think of snow or the moon, they suggest silver." Then after a few moments' hesitation he added: "Master, may I tell you my decision for the coming anniversary? A man who has been married for a quarter of a century is no longer young. What I wish to avoid is the infirmity of age—not the inevitable physical infirmity nor the mental, but those senile habits of finding fault with the young or of boasting of one's past career. My ideal of life is to remain young in spirit and it is well expressed by a poet in the 'Kokinshu':

Look not upon chrysanthemums
Changed in hue by autumn frost,
As a beauty fading;
'Tis a flower twice blooming in a year
Each time in different colours.

The artist nodded meditatively and when in a few weeks the picture was finished, it presented the everlasting freshness in the red and white winter varieties of chrysanthemum, their leaves frostbitten, but their flowers blooming ever more in courage and cheer.

Town Topics . . .

[…] free […] Happyland, the popular rendez[vous] for roller enthusiasts will be [the] scene of many Nisei skatefests [during] the coming week. Save your [n]ights and make a date for three [night]s of solid fun and frolic at one [of the] following parties.

On February 10, the Japanese [Soccer] League invite you as their [gue]st at Happyland.

On February 11, the Seikokai [Boys'] Club and their friends will be [hosts] and they promise a full eve[ning] of hilarity to all those who at[tend].

On February 17, a similar party will be sponsored by the Marpole Y.M.B.A.

Tickets for these parties are available from members. Bring your friends. The time is 7:30 p.m. The place is Happyland!

Powell Y.P.S.

The Powell Y.P.S. are to be guests of the West Point Grey Young Peoples' Society at their meeting, Sunday, February 9, commencing 8:30 p.m. All members and friends are requested to turn out.

So, on Sunday, take No. 16 car and get off at 8th and Sasamat and walk one block west, for an enjoyable evening as guest of West Point Grey Y.P.S.

Musical Program

Members of the Seikokai A.Y.P.A. will enjoy a novel meeting next Thursday, February 13, at Third Avenue Church, when Yoshimitsu Higashi will present a program of recorded popular and classical music, adding a commentary on the music as it is played.

Fairview Y.W.B.A.

At a general meeting held Sunday, February 2, at Fairview Buddhist Temple, the Fairview Y.W.B.A. drew up its programme for the coming year. Plans include a bazaar to be held in the Spring, the appointment of a representative to the Bussei League Oratorical Contest, initiation of classes for instruction in Japanese cooking and sewing.

Altar Bound

Fairview Temple will be the setting for the wedding of Hisaye, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Usaburo Takenaka and Mr. Seiichi Ichien, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Inosuke Ichien, on Saturday, February 15, at 4 p.m.

Reverend T. Hirahara will officiate.

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8—J.S.C. Oratorical Contest for High School Students, Japanese Hall.
9—Chichibusai Annual Meeting, New Pier Cafe, 5 p.m. 35c.
9—Powell Y.P.S. guests of West Point Grey Y.P.S., 8.30 p.m.
10—Japanese Soccer League Skatefest, Happyland, 35c.
11—Seikokai Boys' Club Skatefest, Happyland, 7.30 p.m.
14—Steveston J.C.C.A. Basketball Dance, Saint Anne's Parish Hall. Dancing 8.30 to 1. Tickets 50c.
17—Marpole Y.M.B.A. Skatefest at Happyland, 7.30 p.m. Tickets from members.
22—International Basketball Game and Dance, Exhibition Gardens, 7 p.m.

"Homes"

what has been done in other Pacific Coast and eastern cities," he said.

Thomas Louden, leader of the protesting delegation, asserted the Chinese resident on Highbury will decrease property values on the street by 20 per cent.

Chinese Consul

VANCOUVER. — Branding Alderman Wilson's "Ghetto Plan" as a "gross miscarriage of justice," the Chinese Consul-General in Vancouver, submitted an emphatic protest in a letter to Mayor J. W. Cornett, Tuesday.

Japanese Canadian Citizens League officials said—they planned no protest in this instance, because they were confident that the Provincial Legislature and the courts would uphold their rights.

Wilson Wrong

A report from Toronto said that civic officials had no knowledge of any law segregating Orientals into restricted districts, such as Alderman Wilson had claimed to exist in that city. Alderman Wilson later admitted that he had been mistaken. The Daily Province also reported that no similar ruling is in effect in Seattle, as Ald. Wilson claimed.

A similar situation exists in Los Angeles, where only last September Superior Court Judge Thomas Gould, in ruling upon a city council decision to approve or disapprove a Nisei housing project, ordered the city council to make a decision or face contempt of court.

In the event of an adverse decision, the city council would be faced with a court action; and the city attorney's office had issued a statement declaring that it could see no legal reason why the City Council could disapprove the housing project.

The civic body, accordingly granted permission to the Nisei to build homes as they wished.

JACL Starts National Membership Drive

Setting the goal of 10,000 paid-up members in 1941, the National Japanese American Citizens League will set the ball rolling with the distribution of membership cards.

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Impressions of Costumes in "Bitter Sweet"

By Kazuko Yamaga

Impressions? Costumes? All that is left in our memory are flashes of brightly-colored gowns; recollections of startling, huge feathers tossing gracefully atop Milady's wide-brimmed hats; and most of all, delight in that slenderizing effect so skilfully achieved by those tightly-fitted bodices and full-flaring skirts.

Still pictured in our mind's eye are those unforgettable bustles, from simple affairs to most elaborate creations, adding all in all an undefinable touch to Milady's appearance.

Also noticed on some of the gowns were the side draperies (some in apron style) that are in current fashion.

Breathtakingly lovely was that indescribable, pale pink gown worn by the leading lady in one of the opening scenes. The gown, a light delicate shade of pink, shimmering with a thousand lights, caught our eye instantly, as Milady waltzed her way through a maze of dancers. The basque bodice and bouffant skirt, swirling about her left a lovely picture etched upon the mind.

Whatever the critics may have said about the film, "Bitter Sweet," from the point of view of costuming, we found it colorful enough in style and detail to satisfy any ardent lover of nineteenth century gowns.

Capital City Chatter

JCCL Plans Program: Okamoto Prexy

VICTORIA. — The night of January 31 saw the beginning of the activities of the Victoria Chapter of the Japanese Canadian Citizens League, when they held their first meeting of the year at the Gogakko Hall under the chairmanship of retiring president, Masao Kuwabara.

The secretary's report, covering the varied activities of the chapter, was read by Yaeko Henmi; and the treasurer's statement was made by Ta Ono. Auditors appointed to look over the latter report were Toshio Uyede and Susumu Shimizu.

Red Cross Work

In the business discussion, feminine members said they would continue with Red Cross knitting this year. (Since the meeting, Red Cross officials have been contacted, materials procured, and the full support of local Nisiettes assured.)

In preparation for the National Convention being held here this year, the new executive will nominate committees, and present them for approval at the next meeting. The Chapter, moreover, will consider a drive for the revocation of "dual citizenship."

In a brief speech, retiring president Masao Kuwabara, expressed his thanks for the co-operation and support given to him during the past year.

Okamoto President

Election of officers for the new term resulted as follows: Muss Okamoto, president; Sam Okamoto, vice-president; Yaeko Henmi, secretary; Marion Yoneda, treasurer; and Michico Okamoto, George Kuwata and Muneo Kawasoe, social convenors.

Acknowledged with thanks were donations of $2 from Miss Sakae Aida of Cumberland, and Mr. Eichi Kondo, on his departure for Tofino.

The lengthy meeting was brought to a close with the serving of refreshments. Thanks were tendered to Jimmie Shimizu, who donated oranges.

Japanese Association

Elected to the Executive of the Victoria Japanese Association this year were: K. Takahashi, president; M. Kawasoe, vice-president; S. Henmi, recording secretary; O. Onishi, corresponding secretary; G. Watanabe, treasurer; N. Watanabe, chairman; S. Shiba, assistant chairman; and R. Ono and K. Takata, auditors.

On the board of directors are the following: K. Kaneda, Y. Hasegawa, K. Tanaka, Masao Kuwabara, and Muss Okamoto.

Victoria JCCL To Hold Valentine Hop

VICTORIA.—Flash! Flash! A Valentine Dance will be held on Monday, February 17, at Terry's Rose Room, from 8:30 p.m.

The tickets at 35c apiece, may be had by applying to any of the following committee in charge: Michiko Okamoto, George Kuwata or Muneo Kawasoe.

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Steveston Static

STEVESTON. — Cupid at least will be on hand to do his part when the Steveston J. C. C. A. Basketball Club sponsors a dance at St. Ann's Parish Hall, Chatham Rd., and 4th Avenue. The occasion — that day dear to all sentimentalists, St. Valentine's Day, February 14!

Dancing and romancing from 8:30 to 1:00 at least, with the hall gaily decorated in the Valentine motif. Arrangements are under way to secure an orchestra for the affair, and tickets are selling at 50c a person.

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Steveston Y. P. S. will play host and hostess to friends from the South Arm United Church Young People's Society at a gay Valentine's party Saturday evening, February 15, at the Church Hall.

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Shige Yoshida New Chemainus Pres.

CHEMAINUS. — The annual general meeting of the Chemainus Chapter of the Japanese Canadian Citizens League was held on February 2.

The results of the election of officers for the 1941 term are as follows:

Shige E. Yoshida, president; Mitsuyuki Sakata, vice-president; Hitoshi Okada, recording secretary; Kaname Izumi, corresponding secretary; Tokio Yoshida, social convenor; Satoshi Izumi, treasurer.

To open the 1941 term it was decided to undertake a gigantic drive to increase membership in the Chapter.

The first executive meeting will be held shortly to draw coming year.

Maple Ridge J.C.C.L. Plans Big Concert

By News and Views

HANEY. — At the general meeting of the Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows Chapter of the JCCL, Saturday, January 25, it was decided to present a "Monster Concert" on March 1, to raise urgently needed funds.

President Doug Oike is arranging the program, so you can expect a variety concert which you will certainly enjoy. More details will follow.

Shuttle Story . . .

The Maple Ridge Badminton Club has been invading Vancouver one night a week to conquer the city shuttlers, but as yet all efforts have been in vain. Tournaments with local shuttlers will keep the shuttle chasers busy out here.

Spring Forecast . . .

A sure sign of Spring! Baseball is again stirring the farmers. A general meeting of the Maple Ridge Farmers' Ball Club was held on Sunday, January 26, at the Hammond Hall, when the following officers were elected:

Manager, Henry Kusano; Captain, Fuke Hoshizaki; Secretary, E. Oike, and Treasurer, T. Kumamoto.

It was decided to enter one of the Japanese Sunday leagues, the final decision depending upon the outcome of the respective league meetings. The club is putting on a roller skating party at Happyland Roller Arena on March 3, to raise funds. Tickets are 35c, so please support the affair with an immediate purchase. They are obtainable at Ernie's or from any of the members.

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Regina Register

REGINA, Sask. — As the first activity of the Shinyo Kai in the New Year, a skating party was held at the Arena Rink on January 20. The members and friends, about fourteen in all, enjoyed the fun of good, wholesome sport.

Later delicious hot dogs and coffee were served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tanouye. Dancing concluded the program for a merry evening.

Our thanks to able committee Fred Tanouye and Kanematsu Sano who were responsible for this successful party.

EAST RICHO-CHATS

By Chatter

Date for Dance . . .

The date for the Hamilton School Valentine Dance is almost settled. No guarantee, but probably it will be held on the 14, at Hamilton School.

The exact date will be announced within a few days, and tickets may be obtained either from the school pupils or the committee.

Come on folks, don't let us down. Make sure you get your tickets soon.

Unusual Catch . . .

A flounder was fished out of the Fraser River here a few days back by "Uncle" J. Kamagai with a hook and line.

Odd flounders have been caught by gill netters about seven or eight miles down the river from here, but this is the first time one has been caught by a boat this far up the Fraser.

Flounders are known as salt water fish and are seldom found in fresh water.

Dis and Dat . . .

Remember, "Moustache," when you're landing your boat go against the tide, not with it, and maybe you won't get such big bump . . . Local artist extraordinary, Shig K. is getting a little absent-minded these days. It's not because of a certain . . . Nope! It wouldn't be a gal, would it, Shig? . . . and Tommy, won't you give us a few lessons on the Hawaiian hula at our next dance? Thanks.

PALDI PARADE

By Cossy Asada

PALDI. — The track-side unit of the Mayo Bros. Timber Co.'s logging operations was shut down for about a month. During this time, the unit is undergoing minor repairs.

The Skagit, No. 175, colddecker went back to work on January 31 after a week in the shop having a new transmission installed.

The mill will keep on running while the track-side is shut down with logs supplied from Lake Cowichan.

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With the help of friends, the Tateishi boys of Lake Cowichan are enlarging their house in Duncan.

On Sunday, January 26, a Young Men's Club was formed in Duncan with Mike Tateishi elected as president and R. Nakashimada, secretary-treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. Y. Kawaguchi, formerly of Lake Cowichan, have taken up residence in Paldi, where Mr. Kawaguchi is employed.

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According to latest reports the Mayo Bros. Timber Co. will convert a steam shovel which they have purchased into a "cherry-picker." To the readers who do not understand the loggers' lingo, a "cherry-picker" is a machine for picking up logs along the company's railroad which have fallen off the loads during hauling to the mill.

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And now a very pleasant adieu to all the readers of this column as I regret to say that this is the final edition of the Paldi Parade Column by yours truly, Cossy Asada.

Britannia Bits

By Crusher

BRITANNIA — Due to the increase in cost of living, the Britannia Mining and Smelting Co. has granted effective from February 1st a "Cost-of-Living Bonus" of 20c per shift to Occidental and 15c per shift to Oriental employees.

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Saturday night's dance was well attended and equally well enjoyed. For the first time the Minaty Bay music enthusiasts provided the melody with a 7-piece orchestra. Outside of the fact that they drifted into something like a Swedish polka now and then, the music was very good. Note to Bill Hatch . . . you'd better get your orchestra into shape now that you have a rival.

Basketball Banter

Stacy's Senior A team invaded Britannia last week and walked away from a gallantly-fighting Britannia All-Star team, 32-18. Siggers and Hay scored the most baskets for the locals, but couldn't match the visitors, led by the tall forward Gloag.

Thursday night Britannia invaded Woodfibre for a friendly game. Down 23-15 at the half-way mark, Britannia really got down to business in the second half, coming out on top after a brisk battle, 42-39.

Refreshments provided by Woodfibre were much enjoyed, all except by Dave. He didn't like the crab sandwiches. You wonder why? Don't ask me, here's where I make my exit.

Surrey Sunshine

SURREY. — The regular meeting of the Canadian Japanese Girls' Club was held on January 30 at the home of Miss Mitsuye Tashima, with Miss Teruko Sato presiding. Guests at the meeting were the club's honorary president, Mrs. W. E. Carbutt, and Miss Yukiko Arai.

The Club acknowledges with thanks kind donations from Mrs. Carbutt and Miss Yasue Yasui.

Miss Yukiko Arai, our guest speaker for the afternoon, had as her topic, "Personality."

Gang es Gleanings

By The Gleaner

GANGES, Salt Spring Island. — On January 13 we were honored by a visit from Rev. G. Nakayama from Vancouver. That night the young people held a gathering at "The Alders"—which Capt. and Mrs. Best kindly lent for the evening. Among those present were Rev. and Mrs. Popham. Rev. Popham gave a speech and welcomed Rev. Nakayama.

President Isuke Murakami also welcomed the guest of honour, and expressed a vote of thanks to Capt. and Mrs. Best for their kind hospitality in lending their home for the evening.

After giving an interesting speech, Rev. Nakayama presented gifts to everyone. Later in the evening, refreshments were served.

Rev. Nakayama returned to Vancouver the next day, accompanied by Ruby Numajiri, going back to continue her course in dressmaking.

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Mission Nisei Enjoys Life In The Rural Youth Training Camp

Shades of Caesar! The abandoned Forestry Camp on University Hill was a sad and gloomy place until one day in the middle of January, over a hundred energetic, healthy, ambitious young men and women from all over the province swooped down upon it to fill its emptiness with a hustle-bustle of activity.

"It's quite a grand place now!" declared Malcolm Fukami, sole Nisei representative in the camp. "There's rarely a dull moment. We certainly feel grateful to the Dominion and Provincial Governments and the University for making it possible for us young people to attend this Rural Youth Training School."

Fukami, who is the president of the Mission Seinenkai and an active member of the Ferndale Community Association, explained that the purpose of the school was to train young men and women to become leaders in their respective districts.

Experience in Co-operation

Besides attending classes in mechanics, animal husbandry, carpentry, furniture making, and public speaking, with lectures from distinguished U.B.C. professors, th emembers are gaining valuable experience in a communal, co-operative mode of life.

Living in rude but clean cabins with plenty of wholesome food, each puts in time at various tasks in the camp routine and fatigue duty — hauling fuel, lighting fires, washing dishes, scrubbing floors, peeling vegetables, and kitchen tasks.

Evening hours are spent in get - togethers, community singing, dancing, gymnastics—all in a spirit of friendship and co-operation.

Opportunity to Mix

"At first one fellow was quite antagonistic, but getting to know him has changed his attitude," Fukami related. "There is no racial discrimination among the students, and I wish that more of the Niseis could get this chance to mix with fellow Canadians."

Asked what his plans were after leaving the two-month hoped to start a similar school school course, he said that he in his own district, as former graduates have done. "It is something that should be done in every community," he told this reporter enthusiastically.

Celtic Clippings

CELTIC — CELTC CANNERY this week paid its last respects to one of its most beloved friends, Catherine Bennett, who passed away January 31 in her 67th year. For the past fifteen years she shared with her faster son, W. D. R. Spensyr, local kindergarten tutor, a keen and affectionate interest in the welfare of this community and particularly in the upbringing of its children. In his hour of bereavement, we extend sincerest sympathy to Mr. Spensyr.

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It's spring-cleaning time in the home town. The little red school-house will have an entirely new interior and maybe a fresh coating of red paint. Given this face-lift, it might not look too much out of place with the ultra-modern drydock building (so large it will house, we are told, even the largest B.C.P. ships, mast, rigging and all) towering in the background.

Work on a grand scale has now been started on wharves, drydocks and buildings by the Provincial Government. With this newest addition to the growing skyline of Celtic, this Fraser River town is destined to become a vital fishing and shipping centre.

Rainy City Citings

OCEAN FALLS.— Expected here Tuesday on a business trip of several days is Hajime Suzuki, Nisei optometrist of Vancouver.

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Silver 7 Clip Belles To Climb Out Of Cagette Cellar

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Silver 7's finally climbed out of the cellar position for the first time in their bid for the coveted Uchida Challenge Cup last Tuesday night in a ding-dong battle that resulted in the highly-touted Bluebelles' third straight defeat, 21-20, at the hands of the Silver 7's.

The game, although rough and from a spectator's view-point a terrible mixup, was a merry affair, the two quintettes countering basket for basket, neither side getting more than two baskets ahead throughout the game. At rest time both Ken Fujioka and Ken Hori's lassies were deadlocked 10-all.

In the final stanza a costly foul by Marge Kusakabe gave Silver 7's captain Joyce Ikeda a point on a free toss, and it was this lone point which later proved to be the margin of victory.

Sally Kitaguchi played a brilliant game for the winners and hit the high mark with 10 points. Pat Kawajiri and Marge Kusakabe with 8 points apiece came close seconds.

Bluebelles—Kusakabe 8, Horisaki, Miyasaki, Kawajiri 8, Maruno 4, Haruga—20.

Silver 7—J. Ikeda 5, M. Yoshinaka 2, Akiyama, Sugamori 2, Kitaguchi 10, Yanagizawa, Tanaka 2—21.

Smooth Harry Squad Blasts Woodfibre

The smooth-working Harry quintette, top-favoured choice for the Japanese League championship, breezed in and out of Woodfibre last week-end and returned home with a convincing 38-20 victory.

Playing on a slightly larger gym Harry's played a game that was a treat for sore eyes. Their quick, short-passing plays worked like a mechanized unit and with Sub Miike and Toru Tokawa, two fleet-footed intermediates bolstering the team, Harry's was undoubtedly the fastest Japanese quintette your scribe had over seen in action.

Woodfibre lads, tired from the day's work and handicapped by the long lay-off from the casaba court, put up a stiff battle, but were definitely outclassed by the city boys.

Hideo "Ide" Idenouye, ex-Vancouverite and Tets Uno played a good game for the losers and as usual Shig Ashikawa, the super-sniper of the Japanese League, chalked up the most points, 14 in all.

Woodfibre—H. Idenouye 6, N. Idenouye, T. Uno 6, R. Ogaki 2, G. Ogaki, Inamoto, Shimizu 4, Tobo 2—20.

Harry's—Hori 4, Ashikawa 14, Wakabayashi 5, Akiyama 6, Tokawa 8, Miike 6, Hashimoto 2—38.

Surprising Steveston Shuttlers

YPS Held To Draw: GYK Clicks

It's down the home stretch now for the Japanese Badminton Leaguers and what a battle Steveston is staging to stay in the running. Last week they held the strong Gakuyukai shuttlers to a 5-all draw, and again this week to everybody's surprise they split evenly their games with prognosticated champion Y.P.S. shuttlers.

On the adjoining court, Gakuyukai had a fairly easy time in trimming the Maple Ridge badminton team 8 to 2. The locals, veterans of the maple courts, proved to the Maple Ridge team that they still needed a lot of practice to attain Japanese League calibre.

In a close-fought Y. P. S.-Steveston tilts, Steveston reached their peak strength. Winning 5 games to 2, it looked like a cinch win for the visiting team, but the defending champs hit their stride and won the three remaining games to even up the series.

T. Kobayashi and Rose Takahashi, ace Maple Ridge mixed duo, saved the day for the visitors by blasting out the only Maple Ridge wins. In their first encounter they set back slamming Swede Sawada and Rose Miyasaki for their first defeat of the year and then trimmed Kaichi Nagata and Jane Koyanagi 15-10.

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MAPLE RIDGE vs. GAKUYUKAI

Maikawa-Machida bt. Kawano-Kanzaki 23-20, and Tamura-Nisshi 22-2; Oshima-Suga bt. Kawano-Kanzaki 21-11, and Tamura-Nishi 21-5; Nagata-Sawada bt. Kobayashi-Nakamura 21-16; Sawada-Rose Miyasaki bt. Nakamura-Alice Omura 15-7; Naga-Jane Koyanagi bt. Nakamura-Alice Omura 15-10; Kobayashi-Rose Takahashi bt. Sawada-Rose Miyasaki 15-11, and Nagata-Jane Koyanagi 15-4; Rose Miyasaki-Jane Koyanagi bt. Rose Takahashi-Alice Omura 17-14.

Y.P.S. vs. STEVESTON

Fujioka-Arikado bt. Sogawa-Ichino 21-18; Nakade-H. Nishi bt. Fujioka-Arikado 21-11; Ide-Shimizu bt. Nakade-H. Nishi 21-5; Sogawa-Ichino bt. Ide-Shimizu 21-7; Kumagai-Uyede bt. Nakade-Nishi 15-2; Kumagai-M. Iwasa bt. F. Nishi-K. Obokata 15-11; Hamade-S. Iwasa bt. Kumagai-M. Iwasa 15-12; and Uyede-T. Ide 15-12; Uyede-T. Ide bt. F. Nishi-K. Obokata 15-5; M. Iwasa-T. Ide bt. K. Obokata-S. Iwasa 15-6.

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SKI TRAILS

Last Sunday proved to be the most hectic skiing day of the season. Not mentioning their names, but four lunatics rose at 4:30 in the rainy morning to ski. It rained practically all day around the cabin and a blizzard blew on top. Nevertheless there were 16 devotees on the hill braving the weather and enjoying the ideal snow conditions.

Soaked to the skin, most of the crowd stayed on the Big Hill, schussing down from the ski toll, darting in and out of the flush gates and practising that stem-christiana.

We wish to acknowledge the donation of $2.00 from our ardent supporter, Mr. Wakabayashi of the Maruchi Transfer.

Side-Hill Glances:

Just what happened to **George, Eddy, Slim, Yosh, Fumi** and **Kou** — wonder if that spring weather is the cause! . . . Most promising skiers among the new comers seen to be our singing skier **K. Ebisuzaki** with his new votage and the diminutive junior, **Roy Ozawa** . . . **Marge, May** and **Mary** should get somewhere if they keep up their enthusiasm and listen to that super-coaching of Tom and Bob! Glad to see **Bill Yasui** back on the hill again after being laid-up for nearly a month, with our this-year's-jinx of sprained ankles . . . Hear **Sam Hagino**, another victim of that same jinx, will be up this week . . . It seems that **Bus Olori** is the cause of it all— last week-end, like Sam, **Dave Yamaoka**, got his share following Bus from the Gulley . . . It's only three weeks from the competition but no word from the Rokkas as to their line-up!

Notice to the Members:

Get your First Aid Patrol Badge from Bus and the International Basketball game and dance tickets from Ray Takeuchi.

Intermediate Cage

Marpole Marks Two Scoring Records

You just can't beat the eagle-eyed intermediates for sharpshooting and speed. It's uncanny the way they seem to find the hoop.

Their accuracy was unlimited last Wednesday night when they shattered two previous records into things of the past. The first of the records was the league-leading Marpole quintette's all-time high game total of 67 points against Ernies while the second record was the total individual scoring performance in one quarter. Al Tokawa, awkward but effective forward of the East End Monarchs swished in 14 points in the first quarter of their game against Steveston.

The results in brief of the intermediate tilts are: Monarchs chalked up a 54-20 win against the Steveston intermediates. The pace-setting Marpole delegation swamped Ernies to the tune of 67 to 37, while the cellar-position Nippatsus sank farther into their cubby-hole when they took a 36 to 20 licking from the Nomads.

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Nomads—Nakatani 5, Akiyama, Ozaki 10, Tsukamoto 17, Nishimura, Mitsui 4—36.

Nippatsu—Kutsukake 3, Morita, Naka 4, Okinobu, Fujiwara, Saito 4, Ogasawara 7—20.

Marpole—Fukumoto 21, S. Miike 16, Fujioka 8, J. Miike 11, Nakagawa 9—67.

Ernies—Umakoshi 2, Arai 6, Shimoda 19, Sato 2, Suga 11—37.

Steveston—Nishi 6, Ichino 2, Satsuba, Mori 2, K. Mukai 2, H. Mukai 2, Miyashita 2, Oda 2, Naruse 2—20.

Monarchs—T. Tokawa 11, A. Tokawa 27, Takaki 8, Miyazaki 2, Inose 2, Machida 4—54.

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Langara's long, level stretch of greensward and vast, velvety greens will be the favoured grounds for local golfers to carry off the major Northwest Japanese golf crowns this summer, when Vancouver's Nippon Golf Club plays host to Portland, Seattle, Tacoma and way points in the annual Northwest Open Tournament.

From now till the first week of June or July, high, low, medium and unmentionable handicappers will polish up their games for the annual event. As usual there will be four divisions, A, B, C and D.

The first local tournament of the year is scheduled for some time in March, then follows the first serious test, the Spring Open.

Fife Nippons, N.W. Titlist Billed for Internat'l Gam[e]

Local Cagettes To Tangle With Fife Gi[rls]

The local casaba tossers will really have to get down to serious practice if they want to win from the Americans on the 22nd, for we have arranged with Fife Nippons, the strongest team in the Courier Double Aye loop, to pay us a visit. Last year Fife Nippons won the Northwest Pacific Coast championship and this year they're still cashing in on their wins and heading for their second straight pennant by leading the Double Aye's with 5 wins and 1 loss. Boy! what a feather in the hat if the locals can squeeze out a win!

In the classy Fife team, two players, Shig Takeuchi and Yukio Kasai, occupy second and third position in the individual scoring honors of the AA loop. Others well-known in Vancouver as baseball players are Dyke Hemi, Seige Kub[o], Taxi Kurimoto, Pete Me[...], Isamu Uchida, Tom Os[...], Nobu Yoshida and Ben Y[o]shida.

Yukio Kasai, Fife's shar[p]shooting centre at present hol[ds] the Courier League's record [for] season's high total of 24 poin[ts] in one game.

Expert Coaching

Meanwhile in our loc[al] camp, the Nippons are practi[s]ing industriously twice a we[ek] under the expert coaching o[f] George Sibome, Stacy coa[ch] and Al Beaton, manager of t[he] Maple Leafs. Last Tuesday night, Beaton put the Nippon[s] through a stiff workout, run[]ning, passing, shooting and fo[r] the first time a flicker of hop[e] has appeared on prexy Mi Aki[]yama's face since he found ou[t] that the Fife Nippons wer[e] coming up.

One thing that both teams will have in common when they play at the Exhibition Gardens is that they will both be unfamiliar with the big gym; so it remains to be seen what they can do on a floor twice as big as their own.

Although Coach Ken Fujioka has not announced his All-Star team yet, the players that have been turning out regularly are Shig Ashikawa, Joe Ayiyama, George Suzuki, Kay Hirata, Harry Nikaido, "Baron" Wakabayashi, Kaz Suga, Tosh Hashimoto, Tom Nobuoka, S[] Miike, Toru Tokawa and Mits Shimoda. Fujioka will certainly have a classy bunch to choose from anyway.

Next week we'll give you some dope on the cagettes — Fife Nipponettes, and possibly the Tacoma Bussets.

M. & N. Try But All-Stars Too Good

Well it really looks like the Intermediate All-Stars are going to finish off in front of the luckless M. & N. boys no matter how hard the seniors try. At least they definitely proved themselves the better team when they picked up another win at the expense of the M. & N. squad, 33 to 27.

The all-stars, displaying more speed and accuracy in picking off points, bottled up the M. & N. offensive and held them to nil in the first quarter while they played a superb short-passing game to pile up an 8-point lead.

Right through until the final quarter, the speedy youngsters kept piling up a big margin and as the whistle ended the third canto the score stood 27-13 in favor of the intermediates.

M. & N. thoroughly aroused now by the humiliating massacre in process, staged a fighting comeback in the final quarter and caught up to within two baskets of the eventual winners, but their rally fizzled just short of its mark as Tsukamoto and Suga swished in two quickies to advance the All-Stars' lead, and when the timer's horn blared out the finish of the game, M. & N. found themselves on the short end of the 33-27 score.

M. & N.'s speedy playmaker, George Suzuki and Mush Fukumoto, intermediate ace, shared scoring honors for the evening with 10 points apiece. Lanky Tom Nobuoka, playing a good game, was second with seven.

M. & N.—Suzuki 10, Tanaka, Nobuoka 7, Yamada, Hirano 6, Nishio, Yamashita 4—27.

All-Stars—S. Miike 4, J. Miike 1, Shimoda 1, Suga 4, Fukumoto 10, A. Tokawa 4, T. Tokawa 4, Tsukamoto 6, Takata—33.

Mission Ping Pong

MISSION.—Mission Seinenkai will hold its annual ping-pong tournament on **Sunday, February 16, at 2:00 p.m. in the Japanese Hall. First, second and third prizes will be awarded.**

Victoria Beavers Bump Taiyos 27-22

VICTORIA.—Beavers put a stop to the winning ways of the last-year champion Taiyos, giving them a 27-22 beating at the Centennial Gym last week. Down 8-4 at the end of the first quarter, Taiyos came back to draw even at 15-all at the half-way mark, and drew ahead 21-19 three quarters of the way through. But the youthful Beavers splurged in the final period to emerge victors.

Beavers: Y. Shimizu 8, T. Uyede 5, K. Takahashi, G. Uyede, K. Kuwabara 2, P. Hasegawa and H. Ioi 12. Total 27.

Taiyos: M. Kuwabara 2, T. Kuwabara 13, Mitsuo Kawasoe 2, G. Hasegawa 3, S. Kuwata 2. Total 22.

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